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**HARTFORD FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM DESIGNED
TO WITHSTAND POWERFUL STORMS**

WHEN: **Wednesday, September 7, 2005 12:30 p.m.**

WHAT: **Media overview and tour of Hartford Flood Control System**

WHERE: **Overview: Mayor's Conference Room 2nd floor**
550 Main Street Hartford (12:30 p.m.)
Tour: North Meadows Pump Station
(Leibert Road) (Approximately 1:15 p.m.)

Mayor Eddie Perez invites the members of the media as he is briefed by the Department of Public Works on the status of Hartford's Flood Control System. The system was set up to withstand "the kind of storm that would hit our region about once every 500 years", according to the Army Corp of Engineers. These conditions would be severe storms that would hit the Connecticut River Basin plus intense localized rain, all within days of each other.

Mayor Perez says, "This flood control system is crucial to our City and surrounding communities. It protects the largest job center in the state, government infrastructure, and emergency relief infrastructure like the sewage treatment plant."

For more information on the Mayor's role, contact Sarah Barr, Director of Communications at (860) 522-4888 x6217.